

## Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 STATE 024593

45

ORIGIN AF-18

INFO OCT-01 EUR-25 ISO-00 EB-11 OPIC-12 TRSE-00 IGA-02

AID-20 COME-00 OMB-01 STR-08 XMB-07 CIAE-00 INR-10

NSAE-00 RSC-01 SS-20 SPC-03 SAM-01 NSC-10 SSO-00

NSCE-00 INRE-00 PRS-01 USIE-00 DRC-01 /152 R

DRAFTED BY AF/W:JKBISHOP:RCB

APPROVED BY AF/W:JLLOUGHRAN

EB/IFD/OIA:CNELLIS (SUBS)

OPIC:CCOLE (SUBS)

TREASURY:MS.EINHORN (SUBS)

----- 080934

O R 061651Z FEB 74

FM SECSTATE WASHDC

TO AMEMBASSY LOME IMMEDIATE

INFO AMEMBASSY PARIS

C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 024593

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EMIN EAID, PFOR, TO

SUBJECT: NATIONALIZATION OF CTMB

REF: LOME 0282

1. TOGOLESE AMBASSADOR MAWUSSI CALLED IN BY AF/W DIRECTOR LOUGHRAN FEBRUARY 5 AND BRIEFED ON US EXPROPRIATION POLICY. AMBASSADOR GIVEN COPIES PRESIDENT NIXON'S 1972 STATEMENT AND TEXT US-TOGOLESE TREATY. MAWUSSI CLEARLY SEES NATIONALIZATION AS THREAT TO HIS EFFORTS PROMOTE AMERICAN INVESTMENT IN TOGO. HE SAYS HE PLANS POINT OUT DANGERS FOR INVESTMENT CLIMATE AND WILL RECOMMEND COMPENSATION BE PAID. HOWEVER, MAWUSSI UNCERTAIN WHAT ATTENTION WILL BE GIVEN HIS RECOMMENDATIONS, AS HE ASSUMES DECISIONS ON THIS ISSUE BEING MADE AT HIGHEST LEVEL OF GOT.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 STATE 024593

2. BRIEF STORIES ON CTMB NATIONALIZATION APPEARED FEBRUARY

4 ISSUES OF WASHINGTON POST AND WALL STREET JOURNAL. LATTER PAPER QUOTED W.R. GRACE SPOKESMAN AS STATING CHARGE THAT CTMB RESPONSIBLE FOR PRESIDENT'S CRASH QUOTE OBVIOUSLY UNTRUE UNQUOTE. IN SAME ARTICLE UNNAMED GRACE OFFICIAL REPORTED TO HAVE SAID CTMB INVESTMENT QUOTE NOT TERRIBLY SIGNIFICANT FOR US UNQUOTE. DEPARTMENT HAS ADVISED GRACE OF YOUR VIEWS CONCERNING DENIAL AND OF FACT ONLY FRENCH INVESTORS BEING CRITICIZED BY GOT OFFICIALS.

3. GRACE ANXIOUS FOR CONFIRMATIO\* OF REPORTS THAT GOT PLANS SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO PARIS TO DISCUSS COMPENSATION WITH INVESTORS.

4. IBRD CALLED DESK FEBRUARY 5 REQUESTING TOGO SITREP AND REPORTED BANK HAS NO LOANS SCHEDULED FOR BOARD ACTION. HOWEVER, \$6 MILLION IDA CREDIT FOR COFFEE/COCOA PROJECT EXPECTED BE PRESENTED TO BOARD BEFORE END OF FISCAL YEAR. IN RESPONSE REQUEST FOR USG ATTITUDE TOWARD IBRD LENDING, DESKOFF REPLIED USG MUST AWAIT RECEIPT MORE INFORMATION ON GOT INTENTIONS REGARDING COMPENSATION BEFORE FORMULATING VIEW ON IBRD LENDING. KISSINGER

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 01 JAN 1994  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** NATIONALIZATION, ASSASSINATION, PHOSPHATES, INDEMNIFICATION, NEGOTIATIONS, AIRCRAFT ACCIDENTS, DEVELOPMENT LOANS  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Draft Date:** 06 FEB 1974  
**Decaption Date:** 01 JAN 1960  
**Decaption Note:**  
**Disposition Action:** RELEASED  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Authority:** rowelle0  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Date:** 28 MAY 2004  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1974STATE024593  
**Document Source:** CORE  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** JKBISHOP:RCB  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** GS  
**Errors:** N/A  
**Film Number:** n/a  
**From:** STATE  
**Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1974/newtext/t19740251/aaaabvzt.tel  
**Line Count:** 82  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE  
**Office:** ORIGIN AF  
**Original Classification:** CONFIDENTIAL  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 2  
**Previous Channel Indicators:**  
**Previous Classification:** CONFIDENTIAL  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Reference:** LOME 0282  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Authority:** rowelle0  
**Review Comment:** n/a  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 19 APR 2002  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review History:** RELEASED <19 APR 2002 by elyme>; APPROVED <27-Sep-2002 by rowelle0>  
**Review Markings:**

Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
30 JUN 2005

**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Referrals:** n/a  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** NATIONALIZATION OF CTMB  
**TAGS:** EMIN, EAID, PFOR, TO, IBRD, CTMB, GRACE W R  
**To:** LOME  
**Type:** TE  
**Markings:** Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005